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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY REGARDING SUBSCRIPTIONS TO U.S.
DAILY NEWSPAPERS

REF: STATE 90393

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED A LETTER DATED MAY 19 ADDRESSED TO THE AMBASSADOR (BY TITLE AND NOT BY NAME) FROM CONGRESSMAN STEPHEN SOLARZ OF HIRC. LETTER STATES SOLARZ CONSIDERING INTRODUCING AMENDMENT TO NEXT YEAR'S STATE DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZATION BILL TO SET ASIDE FUNDS FOR SUBSCRIPTIONS TO U.S. DAILY NEWSPAPERS BY FOREIGN SERVICE POSTS IN ORDER REMEDY INADEQUATE AVAILABILITY U.S. DOMESTIC NEWS ABROAD. LETTER ASKS AMBASSADOR RESPOND TO FOUR QUESTIONS REGARDING NUMBER OF CURRENT SUBSCRIPTIONS, COSTS, AVAILABILITY, METHOD OF CIRCULATION WITHIN THE EMBASSY, ETC. LETTER ALSO ASKS AMBASSADOR'S VIEW ON DESIRABILITY OF INCREASED FUNDING FOR DAILY NEWSPAPER SUBSCRIPTIONS, AND THE CREATION OF SPECIAL FUND FOR THIS PURPOSE.

2. EMBASSY ASSUMES THIS LETTER WAS SENT TO ALL PRINCIPAL FOREIGN SERVICE POSTS.

3. SHOULD WE REPLY DIRECTLY TO CONGRESSMAN SOLARZ OR VIA THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DEPARTMENT? FYI AMBASSADOR'S RESPONSE WOULD INDICATE WE DO NOT SUBSCRIBE TO ANY U.S. DAILY PAPERS. HOWEVER, WE DO RECEIVE INTERNATIONAL HERALD TRIBUNE, PACIFIC STARS AND STRIPES, DAILY WIRELESS FILE, TIME, NEWSWEEK, AND U.S. NEWS AND WORLD REPORTS. WE ALSO RECEIVE A GOOD SIGNAL FROM VOA AND AFRTS. SOME STAFF HAVE PERSONAL SUBSCRIPTIONS TO SUNDAY WASHINGTON POST, NEW YORK TIMES, SEVERAL MAGAZINES AND HOME TOWN WEEKLIES. THEREFORE

BELIEVE WE ARE KEPT REASONABLY WELL INFORMED ON U.S. DOMESTIC
AFFAIRS AND THINK COST OF SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR DAILY NEWSPAPERS
WOULD EXCEED ADVANTAGES GAINED BY HAVING THEM AVAILABLE. END FYI.
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